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A VOICE FROM PRISON.

Some Beautiful Verses Recently Written by Mrs. Florence Maybrick.

Mrs. Florence Maybrick, the American wife of an English merchant, was tried in England in 1889, charged with murdering her husband by poison. After a sensational trial she was convicted and sent to prison for life. Since then many vigorous efforts have been made to secure her pardon. The main argument advanced by her friends was that the presiding Judge became insane shortly after the trial and during its continuance was thought to have shown evidences of being unbalanced. Thus far, however, both the Queen and the Home Secretary have refused to interfere in her behalf. During the last year Mrs. Maybrick has been ill and most of the time was spent in the prison infirmary.

Unanswered yet! The prayer your lips have pleaded

In agony of heart these many years.
 Does faith begin to fail? Is hope departing?
 And think you all in vain those falling years?

Say not the father hath not heard your prayer
 You shall have your desire—some time—
 Some where.

Unanswered yet? Though when you first presented

This one petition at the Father's throne,
 It seemed you could not wait the time of asking

So urgent was your heart to make it known
 Though years have passed since then, do not despair
 The Lord will answer you—some time—
 Somewhere.

Unanswered yet? Nay do not say un-

granted.
 Perhaps your part is not yet wholly done.
 The work begun when first your prayer was uttered.

And God will finish what He has begun.
 If you will keep the incense burning there,
 His glory you shall see—some time—
 Somewhere.

Unanswered yet? Faith can not be un-

answered.
 Her feet were firmly planted on the Rock,
 Amid the wildest storms she stands un-

daunted.
 Nor quails before the loudest thunder shock
 She knows the Omnipotence has heard her prayer
 And cries "It shall be done—some time—
 Somewhere."

Democratic Woe.

Ex-President Cleveland, in writing on the "Plight of Democracy and the Remedy" says some very profound things concerning the Bryan free silver suckers. He says: "The culmination of democratic woe was reached when its compact with these undemocratic forces was complete, and when our rank and file were summoned to do battle under banners which bore strange symbols and were held aloft in unfamiliar hands. The result of such a betrayal was foredoomed; this contemptuous disobedience of democratic principles and traditions were by a decree as inexorable as those of fate, followed by the inevitable punishment of stunning, staggering defeat." Pres. Cleveland is the only democrat that the party has elected since the time of Buchanan, and yet we seriously doubt if his words of warning to his party will carry as much weight with the democratic-populist leaders who are now in the saddle, as would the words and suggestions of John Butler, Herr Altgeld, Bridlebits Waite or W. J. Bryan, who has tramped, footsore and weary, all the highways and byways of renegade political sin in the last five years.

Ex-President Harrison has received his fee of \$100,000 for his services before the arbitration tribunal of Venezuela. This may tell why so many statesmen are in favor of arbitration.

Congressman Herman B. Dale, of Wisconsin, stopped over to visit a friend in Cleveland last Saturday and while going up to his friends house in a street car he got very sick and had to be taken to a drug store, where he became unconscious. The police thought he was dead drunk, arrested him and locked him up in the cooler. The next morning when he was unlocked from his cell he revealed his identity and was turned loose.

MISS MORRISON TO BE FREE.
 Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 19.—A special from Eldorado, Kas., says: Judge Shinn agreed to admit Jessie Morrison to bail in the sum of \$5,000 pending her second trial for the murder of Mrs. Olin Chastle Bondsmen have not yet been secured but the prisoner's aged father ex-Probate Judge Morrison expresses hope that he will be able to secure them within a few days.

The case can not come up till next spring, and it is believed that another jury cannot be secured in the county. Her release will probably end the case.

Miss Morrison was in a very happy mood when she entered court with her father, and bounded out of chair lightly after Judge Shinn had announced his intention to accept bond.

It is said that she will go to her old home in West Virginia when released.

Broke Into An Executive Session.

Washington Post.
 For the second time in the history of the senate the sacred precincts of the executive session have been invaded. If this sort of thing continues, coupled with the full reports of secret debates, the senators will grow discouraged and closed doors will be a relic of the barbarous past.

It was Representative Dayton of West Virginia, who dashed boldly into the holy of holies. He had been downstairs in the basement of the capitol looking for Senator Scott, of his state, and not finding him, had hurried upstairs to search in the senate chamber. He hastened through the corridors and swung the glass doors of the private lobby aside, without attracting the attention of the usually vigilant doorkeeper. A few steps farther and Dayton had passed through the senate door and was within the mysterious chamber. He looked around for Senator Scott, not noticing that the galleries were empty. Presently he saw Senator Scott in the presiding officers chair. Near by was "Lonnie" Stewart, one of the senate's officials, who is allowed to remain during the secret sessions.

"Would it be improper for me to go up to Senator Scott while he is in the chair?"

"Stewart gave a gasp of surprise and despair. 'Heavens above!' he exclaimed, seizing the astonished Dayton by the arm. 'How did you get in?'"

"I walked in," said Dayton.
 "You had better walk out," said Stewart, nervously, "this is executive session!"

Dayton started for the door in a hurry. He left so quickly that he did not have time to notice how senators amuse themselves when nobody is looking on.

PRIZES OFFERED TO SHORT COURSE STUDENTS.

The Missouri Board of Agriculture offers the following prizes to short course students in agriculture during the coming winter:

A prize of \$25 to the student showing the greatest proficiency in judging beef cattle. Second prize \$15. A prize of \$25 to the student making the highest scoring butter with an accompanying essay on some dairy subject. Second prize \$15. The Creamery Package Mfg. Co., of Kansas City, offers a first prize of \$30. A second prize of \$15, and a third prize of \$5 for the most creditable essay on the adaptability of Missouri to dairying. The Missouri State Horticultural Society offers a first prize of \$30; second \$20, third \$10, for the most creditable essays on the setting and management of orchards in Missouri.

The University of Missouri offers exceptional advantages to short course students in agriculture during the coming winter. Besides the work along the lines mentioned above, instruction is given in soils, farms, crops, farm buildings, veterinary, etc.

No tuition is charged so that the total expense of the course need not be more than \$40 or \$50. The instructors are men of practical as well as scientific training. The course begins Jan. 1, and ends March 22, 1901. No entrance requirements.

Jim Dunham of Prices Branch, was in our little city Saturday.

Mrs. James Brennan of Moberly, spent Xmas with her parents, Albert Vogt and wife.

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Mrs. R. S. Paul entertained the crokinole club last week. Miss Bertha Stanhardt won first prize and Mrs. John A. Vogt won second. All spent a very pleasant afternoon, and enjoyed the ices and cake served after the games.

Misses Emily and Martha Graham came from Mexico Friday afternoon and went out to their home near Mineola, where they will spend the holidays.

Miss Helen Pennington came over from Fulton Friday afternoon to visit her aunt, Mrs. George Johnson. She has been a student at Synodical College the past term.

W. C. Hughes and wife returned Saturday from a two week's visit to the latter's parents, Mr. Barley and wife, of Troy.

W. I. Woodson came over from Troy Saturday night and spent the holidays with their parents, Dr. J. F. Graves and wife.

Prof. Wayne Barley came down from Mexico Friday afternoon and will spend his vacation at home.



MISSOURI LEGISLATURE.

The Missouri Republican has figured out the complexion of the Missouri Legislature as follows:

Twenty of the 34 members of the new State Senate are lawyers. Of the others four are farmers and three are merchants. An undertaker, a medical student, a physician, a hotel keeper, a moulder, a banker, and a lumber dealer dealer complete the list.

In the 140 members of the House of Representatives there are:

- Thirty-eight lawyers,
- Thirty-seven farmers,
- Eleven physicians,
- Ten merchants,
- Four editors,
- Three real estate agents,
- Three preachers,
- Two clerks,
- Two manufacturers,
- One banker,
- One shoe maker,
- One reporter,
- One municipal agent,
- One commercial traveler,
- One stockman,
- One boiler maker,
- One car inspector,
- One insurance agent,
- One proof reader,
- One machinist,
- One contractor,
- One miner,
- One painter,
- One financial broker,
- One law student,
- One miller,
- One druggist,
- One abstractor.

GIVE US A NEW DEAL.

The Democratic forces throughout the state will rejoice when it has been announced to what position Mr. J. M. Seibert has been appointed. There is no doubt but that Governor Dockery will remember him with something good for the service rendered in the last campaign by Missouri's state chairman. It is the universal sentiment in all parts of the state that Mr. Seibert deserves one of the best places at the disposal of the governor and it is not probable that Gov. Dockery will disappoint his friends.—Jefferson City Press.

Holy gee! What does the democratic party owe Mr. Seibert? If it ever owed him anything it has paid the debt long ago with big interest. After serving his own county—Cape Girardeau in an official capacity for a number of years, he was elected state treasurer for four years. Being ineligible to re-election he was then nominated and elected state auditor, which office he held twelve years at \$3,000 per year. For some reason, evidently—not because of his modesty—he did not ask for the fourth term, but helped nominate his chief clerk. The Times believes in rotation of office. It is democratic. It also believes that the best interests of the democratic party in Missouri demands a cleaning out of the fellows who have been standing at the state crib for some eight, some twelve and some sixteen years, and let those who go out and fight the battles of the party because they believe in the principles of democracy, and not because they hope to get an office, enjoy some of the spoils that belong to the victor. These same fellows have already begun to groom candidates for governor and other state offices for four years hence, and their little scheme should be nipped in the bud by the rank and file of the party. The democratic nominations belong to the people. They give and they can take away, blessed be the name of the people.

For the good of the democratic party it is to be hoped that Gov. Dockery will at least give us a new deal and it is difficult to see how this can be done if Mr. Seibert is given one of the best places at his disposal.—Macon Times.

There is nothing strange about the "State House Gang" wanting Mr. Seibert to have the best Gov. Dockery has at his disposal. We contended before the election that if Dockery was chosen governor the same old gang would still attempt to perpetuate itself. No democrat who does not train with this gang has the least show to get anything from Dockery. You knew this when you elected him, and you should now swallow your medicine without making wry faces.

Mrs. Alice McCann and Miss Benion and Master Ann, went to Williamsburg Saturday to visit the former's parents.

TO SOAR VERY HIGH.

Count Zeppelin's Air Ship Almost Ready for the Trial Trip.

News comes from Europe that the flying machine designed by Count Zeppelin of the German army has been completed, and is about to be put to a series of trials. Unusual interest is centered on this machine because of the magnitude of the scheme and because of the association with it of such a distinguished name as Count Zeppelin. An idea of the enormity of the scheme may be gathered from the fact that before any work was begun a floating construction plant was erected on Lake Constance 460 feet in length and 65 feet high. In the boat house the foundation of the ship was laid, and since then the entire construction has been carried on within its four walls. The air ship itself is 460 feet long, with a diameter of 85 feet. The exterior is aluminum, while the power is furnished by two sixteen horse power Daimler motors, and the crew consists of five men. The cross section of the ship's body amounts to 325 square feet, and the entire surface of opposition, projected on a vertical plane, amounts to about 340 feet. In construction the ship is a form of lattice-work, with steel stretching wires. Outside the lattice is a smooth covering of cloth, consisting of pagsmold on top and silk cloth below, which is stretched over the network of ramie fiber that forms a cover for the metal frame. The body of the balloon is divided into seventeen cross sections, or compartments, each of which is about 25 feet long, except two of about 12½ feet in length. Each compartment contains an inflated balloon, protected from rubbing against the metal walls by a covering of ramie fiber. In front and at the rear of the ship, both above and below, are steering gears, and at the sides are two pairs of four bladed screw propellers three and a half feet in diameter. The advantage of the Zeppelin system of cells, here put into practice for the first time, is in this case made apparent; for in the event of a material increase in weight the length of the ship offers a steadiness not to be obtained in any other form of construction. The escape of gas is also confined to small spaces. Close below the air ship, and closely fitted to it, forming a keel, is a 110-80 feet long, with aluminum cages. This carries, besides the crew of five men, two sixteen horse power Daimler motors and ninety quarts of benzine, calculated to last ten hours. The combined weight of the motors amounts to 1,430 pounds, the hourly consumption of benzine being 36 pounds. As a result of its 11,500 square yard gas supply Count von Zeppelin's invention possesses a carrying capacity of a corresponding measurement. According to the calculations of the builder, Engineer Kubler, the entire weight of the ship, including the crew, does not exceed ten tons, notwithstanding in length it measures the size of an ordinary ocean greyhound. Included in this figure is a water ballast of one and a half tons. Practical experiments with the motor in a boat on Lake Constance have demonstrated that each motor consumes hourly 12 pounds of benzine. Each benzine tank holds about 120 pounds of benzine, or sufficient for a ten hours' run. Within this time it is reckoned that with a velocity of 36 feet per second the ship would cover 130 miles in ten hours, or the distance from Philadelphia to New York and return. There is, however, nothing to prevent the carriage of sufficient ballast in the shape of benzine tanks to provide for a run of from 30 to 40 hours, or 720 miles, the distance from Berlin to Rome.—Philadelphia Record.

Chicago Women "Toe In."

A Chicago man with nothing better to do has discovered that at least 20 per cent of the women of that city "toe in." From observations made in houses, railway cars and on the street he finds that the habit of about one-fifth of the women is to turn their toes in. Sometimes it is both feet, and sometimes but one foot. He does not pretend to account for this ungraceful habit, but it presumably arises from improper or a total lack of physical training. Certain it is there is scarcely anything more distressing than to see the points of a pretty woman's shoes converging toward each other from beneath her dress. No one of an observing nature who once saw her feet in a glass would ever again toe in, as the saying is. It is a habit acquired in childhood, but which might easily be corrected by mothers—if they did not "toe in" themselves.

To Avoid Train Robbers.

On the new locomotives of the Denver & Rio Grande railway nozzles have been placed on the roofs of the cars pointing at the rear of the tender and the platform of the front end of the baggage car. These connect to the hot water of the boiler through a cock convenient to the engine driver or fireman, who can instantly send a jet of mixed steam and boiling water, at 200 pounds pressure, that would effectually kill anybody happening to be in its range. The jet is for protection against train robbers.

Shoppers.

Shopping, as proved by ages of human experience, is simply the muddle of a well ordered life; and every time you dress a new body, mind or soul you dress on much from the very possibility of happiness, just as every time you eat an onion you take away from the possibility of its producing mudd.—St. J. George.